AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1-5 (canceled)
- 6. (new) Alkaloid K252 or of their physiologically equivalent derivatives selected from esters, amides, salts, N-alkylated or N-acylated derivatives or derivatives obtained by chemical synthesis aimed to reduce the systemic absorption of the product by means of spacers associated to proteins or other physiologically inactive large molecules.
- 7. (new) The alkaloid K252 as claimed in claim 6, wherein the active ingredient is K252a or K252b.
- 8.(new) A topical pharmaceutical composition comprising an alkaloid K252 according to claim 6, in admixture with vehicles and/or excipients.
- 9.(new) The composition as claimed in claim 8 in the form of ointments, gels, lotions, powders and medicated plasters.
- 10.(new) The composition as claimed in claim 8 wherein the active ingredient is K252a or K252b.
- 11. (new) A method for treating hyperproliferation of keratinocytes, comprising administering an effective amount of pharmaceutical composition according to claim 8 to a subject in need thereof.

- 12.(new) The method according to claim 11, further comprising administering to said subject of PUVA treatment or photodynamic treatment.
- 13.(new) The method according to claim 11, wherein said subject has psoriasis and/or a skin tumour.
- 14.(new) A method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition comprising adding an alkaloid K252 compound according to claim 6 with a pharmaceutical vehicle and/or excipient.